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Mark R. Maguire et al.) Group: 3643
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated August 27, 2002, Applicants hereby submit the following Amendment.

Attached hereto as "ATTACHMENT A" is a marked-up copy showing the changes made to the above-identified patent application by the present Amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the following amended claims 1, 14 and 19 for original claims 1, 14 and 19; and renumber a second claim 16 as claim 20:

1. (Amended) A retractable fishing net, comprising:
- a handle having a grip end and a net end;
 - a retraction mechanism slidably mounted on said handle, said retraction mechanism being movable between said grip end and said net end;
 - a flexible net support band having a first band end and a second band end, said first band end and said second band end each being mounted to said retraction mechanism external to said handle, said net support band thereby having a hoop shape, said net support band being mounted relative to said handle and said retraction mechanism in a manner so as to provide said net support